Liber H. S. [small debts not to be sued for in the County Court]

And be it likewise enacted That the Justices of the Several County Courts within this Province shall not hold Plea in the said Courts of any Debt or Damage which shall not exceed six hundred Pounds of Tobacco or fifty shillings in Current Money any Law usage or Custom to the Contrary Notwithstanding

[An act repealed]

And be it likewise enacted that An Act of Assembly made at a Session of Assembly held at the City of Annapolis on the Twenty sixth day of April Anno Domini Seventeen hundred and fifteen entituled an Act for the Speedy recovery of small Debts out of Court p. 511 before a Single Justice of the Peace be and is hereby Abrogated repealed and made Void

[Parties aggrieved may appeal]

Provided always that in Case either Plaintiff or Defendant shall think him or herself aggrieved by the Determination of any Magistrate where the sum shall exceed Thirty three shillings and four Pence or four hundred Pounds of Tobacco he or She shall be at Liberty to Appeal to the next County Court before the Justices thereof who are hereby upon the Petition of the Appellants in a Summary way to have the Allegations and Proofs of both Parties and Determine upon the same according to the Equity and Right of the Matter the same Court in which the said Petition shall be exhibitted without any further Continuance or delay unless it shall Appear to the Satisfaction of the said Court that further Time ought to be given to the Party Applying for the same to enable the said Court to Determine the Cause according to the equity and Right of the Matter

[In case of supersedeas, bonds to be taken]

Provided also and be it further Enacted that no Execution upon any Judgment to be rendered by any Justice shall be stayed or delayed or any Supersedeas upon such Judgment granted upon any Appeal unless the Person Appealing or some other on his or her behalf shall immediately upon making such Appeal Enter into Bond with Sufficient Sureties such as the Justice by whom Judgment shall be given shall Approve of in Double the sum recovered with Condition that if the Party Appealing shall not Prosecute his Appeal at the next County Court with Effect According to the Directions of the Act entituled an Act for the Speedy recovery of small Debts out of Court before one Justice of the Peace and also pay and Satisfy the Party in whose behalf the Judgment of the Justice shall be given his Executors Administrators or Assigns in Case the said Judgment shall be Affirmed as well the Debt Damage and Cost Adjudged by the Justice from whose Judgment such Appeal shall be made as also all Cost and Damage that shall be Awarded by the Court before whom such Appeal shall be heard tried and Determined then the said Bond to be and remain in full Force and Virtue Otherwise to be of none Effect